

*(use as many sheets as necessary)*

Sheet

1

of

1

Application Number	09/453,526
Confirmation Number	2759
Filing Date	December 03, 1999
First Named Inventor	Harry B. SMITH
Art Unit	2685
Examiner Name	Tilahun GESESSE
Attorney Docket Number	A7302

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Document Number		Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document
		Number	Kind Code <sup>2</sup> (if known)		
[Signature]		US 4,539,689			CHIU et al.
		US 4,238,746			McCOOL et al.
		US 5,724,395			GOLLA et al.
		US			
		US			
		US			
		US			
		US			

[illegible][illegible]

**Examiner Signature**

T-Beseite

**Date Considered**

44/04

<sup>1</sup> Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). <sup>2</sup> See Kind Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at [www.uspto.gov](http://www.uspto.gov), MPEP 901.04 or in the comment box of this document. <sup>3</sup> Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST. 3). <sup>4</sup> For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. <sup>5</sup> Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. <sup>6</sup> Applicant is to indicate here if English language Translation is attached.